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Letter dated 27 October 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 25 to 27 October 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would arrange for this letter and its annex to be circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

(Signed) V. **Nebenzia**

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Annex to the letter dated 27 October 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (25 October 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported seven incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: four in Aleppo, two in Homs and one in Ladhiqiyah.

The Turkish representative office has reported two violations in the following Governorates: one in Hama and one in Damascus.

Most incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusrah Front and the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out two humanitarian operations for the delivery of food products to Umm Adasah in Aleppo Governorate, with a total weight of 1.7 tons, and Akrad al-Dasiniyah in Homs Governorate, with a total weight of 2.1 tons.

In total, 1,658 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,258.3 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 174 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 61,512 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire regime agreements were signed over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,259.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (26 October 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported five incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: four in Aleppo and one in Damascus.

The Turkish representative office has reported four violations in the following Governorates: three in Damascus and one in Hama.

Most incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusrah Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out a humanitarian operation in Darusha in Damascus Governorate, during which food products with a total weight of 3.6 tons were delivered to the local population.

In total, 1,659 humanitarian operations have been carried out. The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,261.8 tons.

Two humanitarian convoys were sent through the United Nations. In Tall Shihab and Jizah in Dar'a Governorate, food products and domestic items were delivered, with a total weight of 147 tons. Over the course of 24 hours, medical assistance was provided to 206 inhabitants. In total, medical assistance has been provided to 61,851 inhabitants. t

Reconciliation of opposing sides

No ceasefire agreements were signed with populated areas over the past 24 hours.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,259.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Hama, Homs, Damascus and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (27 October 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the Memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported three incidents of gunfire in the following Governorates: two in Aleppo and one in Hama.

The Turkish representative office has reported three violations in the following Governorates: one in Idlib and two in Damascus.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusrah Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation.

In total, 1,660 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,263.9 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 42 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 61,893 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire regime agreement has been signed with Kafr Laha, in Homs Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,260.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Hama, Homs, Damascus and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.